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SENATOR MARY LANDRIEU'S OFFICE
Hurricane Katrina – Response & Recovery
DONATION INFORMATION SHEET
UPDATED on Monday September 5, 2005

Dear Friend,

Many generous people have contacted our office to request special assistance in directing their donation to the right institution, so that these useful resources are received by those who are truly in need. In consultation with the Governor Blanco and the Red Cross, the following information has been assembled to assist my constituents, as well as all those who contact my office for information on donations.

Monetary Donations

Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation
P.O. Box 94095
Baton Rouge, LA 70804
(225) 342-7000

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The American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund. Monetary donations will allow both of these relief agencies to provide relief most efficiently. The Disaster Relief Fund enables the Red Cross to provide shelter, food, counseling, and other assistance to those in need. If you have interest in providing such support, please visit www.redcross.org

LARGER SCALE In-Kind Donations (for example: food, clothes, etc.)

Regarding in-kind donations, the American Red Cross is currently focused on providing life's most elemental essentials to the victims of the hurricane – food, shelter and water. Currently, the Red Cross has sufficient in-kind offers in the pipeline and are focusing on their immediate service delivery plan that allows for the efficient, effective distribution of essential items to those who need it most. However, the recovery effort will be long-term and the Red Cross anticipates additional needs in the next few weeks, including hygiene items, cleaning supplies and snacks for those living in shelters. Items would need to be brand new, palletized, corporate bulk donations, NOT the result of an employee collection effort. We also currently have our transportation needs met, but would entertain offers of refrigerated trailers and dry boxes that can be dropped for up to 15 days. If you believe your donations meet these specific requirements, please call my Washington office at (202) 224-5824.



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SMALLER SCALE In-Kind Donations

Because many shelters are under the direction of the Red Cross, their direct needs are best met by your monetary donation. However, other shelters are not certified by the Red Cross and are therefore not able to access these resources. If you wish to donate to a non-Red Cross shelter, please see the list of Louisiana shelters on my website and contact them directly to coordinate your donation. Lastly, if you are unable to find a worthy recipient of your donation that is able to accept your donation, please contact **the Louisiana Governor's office at its donation hotline, 1-866-344-8305.**